

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

These media conglomerates argue that caps infringe upon their "rights," but our democracy is based on the rights of the people, not entities such as corporations. An important right of American people in this day and age is the right of choice; in this case, choice of media source (as opposed to choice of several hundred channels from the same media source, which is not really a choice).